CENTRAL OHIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

Box 1561, Dublin, OH 43017

May meeting

When: 7 p.m., May 18 , 2011
Where: Oakstone Academy
900 Club Dr., Westerville
Speaker: Gerry Tebben
Topic: Berlin 1945

Meeting location reminder

As you enter the school's driveway, the new building is the first building on the left at the north end of the parking lot.

May presentation

As the Third Reich crashed down around them in a cataclysm of violence in late April and early May of 1945, the remaining citizens of Berlin - mostly women, old men and children too young to fight - went about their lives as best they could amid the bombing raids, lynchings, rapes and mortar attacks.

Money - zinc and aluminum coins and paper money - were still accepted at the city's barely stocked stores during the unbroken weeks of bombings that preceded the April 16 Soviet advance on the city, during the 12 days of street-to-street fighting that marked Hitler's crazed defense of the city and during the first painful days of occupation.

April presentation

The Walking Liberty half dollar series is different from most in that there are no really rare pieces to stop you in your tracks. Even the key 1921 and 1921-D are affordable. "It's a series that you can complete, " Tony Cass said.

When grading the coin, pay particular attention to the eagle's breast. There's a difference between a light strike and a worn coin, Tony said.

John Roberts noted the rims are the highest point. A coin with luster on the rims, but weak detail is just lightly struck, not worn.

50/50 Jackpot

Shirley Britt wasn't present to collect the $169 jackpot, so it rolls over.

Raffle

May's raffle coin is an 1839 Seated Quarter, ANACS F-12. It is a little more expensive piece than usual, with a retail around $125. To be able to provide such pieces, I need strong support on raffle sales, so buy an extra ticket or two or more! One dollar each or six tickets for $5. Your declining dollar is still good here! - Gary

YN Ryan Sharrett won last month's prize, an AU50 Large Motto 1964 2 Cent piece.

Quiz

May - Yet another quiz from Hugh
June - N'awlins Mint
July - State quarters II
Dan Rich won last month's quiz, with seven correct answers.

Attendance

We had 47 members and three visitors last month. Overall membership is a very healthy 150.

Show and Tell

John Roberts had a Columbus, OH Civil War token to share.

Auction

Lots: Send June lots to Steve Barnett - sbarnet5@columbus.rr.com - by June 7.

Dan's show

When: May 15, June 19, July 17

Where: Makoy Center, 5462 Center, Hilliard

Picnic and Christmas Banquet

These events will be at the same place as last year. Details, including the club's contribution to banquet meals will be announced late.

Door prizes

Jim Pascarlla, Dick Medellin and Dave Percy won last month's door prizes

Book donations

Book placements proceed apace. Some of the Columbus branches had said they cannot place the book on their shelves because the downtown main library already has one in the history room.

If you've taken a copy of Wendell Wolka's book and can't place it, please bring it back. We have a long list of local libraries, historical societies and universities that would love to have a copy.

Spring seminar

There has been some talk about devoting the Central States spring seminar to Civil War numismatics. Dan Rich noted that researcher John Ostendorf has written a monster book about Cincinnati Civil War Tokens.

Central States Education Director Ray Lockwood will work with us on a speaker list. The seminar can be on just about any topic(s) and can involve experts with a national reputation.

Frightening future

Tony Cass and Coin World's Steve Roach had made presentations to us on modern Chinese counterfeits, but what I saw at the Central States convention was utterly sobering.

Dr. Greg Dubay spread out a dozen common-date, lightly circulated silver dollars and challenged everyone at his presentation to pick out the one genunie piece that he had placed in the group.

These are common-date pieces that you probably wouldn't even look twice at if you were buying them.

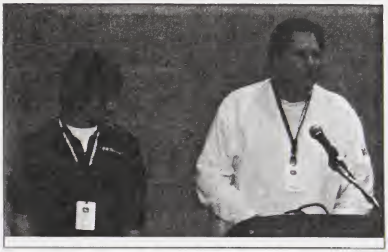
All of the dozen pieces were superficially OK. When you started paying attention to them, a few stuck out because the fields were noticeably wrong. A couple others had reeding problems.

The rest looked, felt and even sounded genuine.

Speakers

May - Gerry Tebben - Berlin, 1945
June - Charles Caldwell - 12 Ceasars
July - Ed Hilbert - History of the Club
Aug. - Picnic
Sept. - Steve P - Seated Dollars
Oct. - Kevin Gibbs - Charge coins
Nov. - Jeff Cranston - Kitty Hawk Commem.
Dec. - Christmas dinner
Jan - Gerry Tebben - Columbus bicentennial presentation on city tokens, banknotes and good fors.

Central States convention



CONA club members were all over the place at the Central States show. Above Mark and Steve discuss their collection at the Liberty Seated Collectors Club meeting. Below Patty and Tony Cass attend a reception for exhibitors. I also saw Brian Raines and George Schweighofer on the bourse floor.

Wooden nickels

The club ordered 1,500 wooden nickels. They will be available free at meetings and the show.

By mail, they are two for $1. Send money and a stamped self-addressed envelope to Box 1561, Dublin, OH 43017

Want list

Proof 1950, '51 and '52 Franklin halves in PCGS 1st generation "rattler" holders - Dave Percy

C.N.S., C.O.I.N.S., & C.O.N.A. — Columbus Numismatic Society, Central Ohio International Numismatic Society, & Central Ohio Numismatic Association.

* A Time Line *

The Historians Diary by E. Conrad Hilbert, May 2011

1987	1988	1989
CNS is Central Ohio's major Coin Club, and has been since they organized in 1906. They hosted the very first ANA Convention in 1907 at the Neil House, down town Columbus. Again in 1938 they hosted the ANA Convention in Columbus. By 1987 many members were not only over the hill they were way over on the other side. A few members were in ill health and were under medical care. The oldest member had just turned 100 years old. The club called Penn/Ohio is also very active in the local area. The sponsor a convention at the Neil House each year.	In the Spring of 1988 several of the younger CNS members meet to form a new club. They were but not limited to the following: Jack Smith, Mark Kleinlein, Dan Carroll, Steve Barnett, Dan Rich, Greg Rande, Jim Hibner, Dean Prosser, Yance Grove, Paul Cox. Earl Teaford and others. The club was kind of informal and no real organization was in effect. However, it was assumed that Greg Rande, was President, and Jack Smith was Vice President, while Mark Kleinlein was Secretary/Treasurer and Newsletter Editor. After some haggling they voted to name the club The Central Ohio International Numismatic Society (C.O.I.N.S.)	This year Greg Rande continued as President, Jack Smith as Vice President, and Mark Kleinlein was Treasurer/Secretary and Newsletter Editor. Dues were assessed at $ 5.00 per year. Jack and Mark are the driving forces behind the advancement of the club. Mark was the one who that came up with the acronym C.O.I.N.S. and so the club became known as the Central Ohio International Numismatic Society until 1996. Jack was out there recruiting members all the time. Club meetings were held in the Old Livingston Court right branch of the Columbus Library.
1990	**1991**	**1992**
Jack Smith was elected President, and Dan Rich was elected Vice President, while Mark remains Secretary/ Treasurer and Editor of the quarterly Newsletter. CNS is a member of the Christopher Columbus Quincentennial Jubilee Commission. COINS meeting are held at the Livingston Avenue branch of the Columbus Library. COINS, CNS & OCCC meet to decide what kind of medal or coin for the Columbus Discovery of America in 1992. Fostoria Coin Club show was 25 March.	Jack W. Smith is President, and Dan Rich is Vice President, and Mark Kleinlein stays as Secretary/ Treasurer and Editor of the Newsletter. 20 July the Club Picnic was held at the home of Jack Smith, 1020 Cherryfield Ave. 12 members attended. Don Bonser from ANACS was a guest. A new meeting place is found at George J. Igel Co. 2040 Alum Creek Drive. Member Jim Hibner works at the Igel Co. A&B Coin show was held on 16&17 February At Vets.	Dan Rich is elected President, Jack W. Smith Vice President, and Mark is Secretary/Treasurer. and Editor of the Newsletter. April, Dan Rich gives a talk on Jeffersons. May, Randy Campbell gives a talk on Forgeries and Counterfeits. June ,Jim Hibner talks Peace Dollars. July, the club Picnic is held at Dan Rich's. August ,ANA Convention, Orlando, Florida. September, Tony Cass talks Canadian Coins.
1993	**1994**	**1995**
Dan Rich is President, Jack W. Smith is Vice President, Mark Kleinlein is Secretary/Treasurer, Editor of the Newsletter. Bank account balance is at $ 144.68. Meeting place is at the George J. Igel Company. January 24th is Dayton/Kettering Coin Club Show. February 20-21 Coin, Baseball Card Comic Bk Show. March 19-21 Dayton Coin Expo Meeting place and day changed to Sunday.	Tony Cass is President, Bill Kamb is Vice President and Mark Kleinlein is Secretary/Treasurer, he also is Editor of the Newsletter. CNS is still very active and Dick Stent their Secretary sees to that. However the old Man and the Sickle is taking its toll. Ray Ellenbogen has a legal issue with the ANA.	Tony Cass is President, Bill Kamb is Vice President, Mike Faraone is Secretary and Jack Smith is Treasurer. Paul Stelzer is Sgt-At-Arms. Mark Kleinlein works evenings and is not able to attend club meetings. Treasurer, Jack Smith orders 500 Wooden Nickels for the Club at $39.85.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

CONA PICNIC

Sunday, August 14, 2011
1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Thompson Park, North Shelter
(Same place as last year.)
Upper Arlington

CONA CHRISTMAS DINNER

Wednesday, December 14, 2011
6:30 p.m. - 10:30 "ish"
Waterford Room

Crown Plaza
600 Metro Place North
Dublin, OH
(Same hotel as the Coin Show)

More detailed info will be coming later!